

CONTRACT LET FOR RESERVOIR

Nebraska Construction Company Gets Contract for New City Reservoir on Bid of \$8,715

THE CEMETERY PASSES MILK AND COUNCIL PASSES ORDINANCES

New Sprinkler Is Purchased—Contract for Chapel at Cemetery Is Let to Louis Lariverre

At a special meeting of the council Tuesday night the contract for the construction of the city reservoir was let to the Nebraska Construction Co., of Lincoln, whose bid was \$8,715.

The milk ordinance with but a few slight changes as published several weeks ago in The Herald was passed.

A cemetery ordinance was presented by Mayor Romig and was adopted by the council.

A new sprinkler was purchased at a cost of \$312.50. Bids of the American Seating Co., of Chicago, Miller Bros. and Geo. D. Darling of this city were received on fifty-four chairs for the council chambers and the contract was let to Mr. Darling at \$2.55 each.

Upon information that the city of Alliance is liable to be sued by an eastern firm who claims that the septic tank in use here is an infringement on their patent, the council voted to join an association of cities effected for the purpose of securing adequate legal defense in this and any similar cases.

The council will meet again Saturday night.

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FARMERS MET TUESDAY

Herman Trabert Home Was Scene of Well Attended Meeting Enjoyed by All

The Farmers Club met Tuesday at the home of Herman Trabert, east of Alliance. About forty attended and enjoyed an excellent dinner.

Following the dinner, while the ladies enjoyed a social visit, the men held a meeting at which plans were discussed for the improvement of Box Butte county potatoes. At the regular business meeting County Farm Demonstrator F. M. Seidell was elected an honorary member and club adviser.

The plan is to organize several clubs of this nature in the county, all of the clubs to be joined together by county organization. The social features will be an important part of the clubs.

A vote of thanks was given to Mr. and Mrs. Trabert for their hospitality. The next meeting will be held June 20 at the home of Mr. Seidell in Alliance.

CAUSED A MIXUP

Danny Lyons Arrested on Warrant Sworn Out by Wm. King Charging Attempt to Commit Injurious

Danny Lyons, bartender at the Everett Cook saloon, was arrested this morning on a warrant sworn out by William King, charging him with assault to commit great bodily injury. Danny has been pronouncing the boxing match which was to have been staged tonight at the opera house and which was postponed on order of the authorities.

Lyons laid the blame for the stopping of the match on King, and when the two men with their friends passed on the street Wednesday night about 9 o'clock, near the Newberry building, they became engaged in an altercation in which it is charged that Lyons drew a gun and threatened King.

Following the trouble on the street King went to the office of the county judge and attorney and swore out a warrant charging Lyons with the assault. Lyons appeared at the county court this morning and was placed under bonds of \$500, signed by Everett Cook, to appear at the preliminary hearing Tuesday morning.

The trouble is said to be the aftermath of the recent primary election, when ill feeling started between the parties.

TWELVE APARTMENTS IN NEW \$20,000 STRUCTURE

Work Progressing on Modern Building Being Erected on Laramie by Conductor McDonald

Work was commenced last week and the excavation work completed Wednesday for the fine large apartment house being erected by Conductor John McDonald on Laramie avenue. Today the workmen commenced laying the foundation, and Contractor T. L. Graves, of Selma, Calif., expects to have the building completed and ready for occupancy in this apartment.

This apartment house is to contain ten five-room apartments and two six-room apartments, the former to rent for \$35, and the latter for \$40 per month. They will be modern in every respect having heat, lights, hot and cold water, garbage receptacle to be cared for daily by a janitor, large laundry room and a large storage room.

The heating system will be the Moline Vacuum Vapor heating system.

This building will be erected at a cost of approximately \$22,000, and home labor and material is being used insofar as practical. There will be three stories above the basement, the basement of concrete, the building of stucco finish, and there will be two large porches.

ORGANIZE ASSOCIATION

Western Nebraska Publishers Met at Gering Saturday and Organized An Association

For the purpose of advancing the interests of the publishers of western Nebraska and their patrons, the publishers of the newspapers of Scotts Bluff, Morrill and Box Butte counties met at Gering, Nebr., Saturday, May 13, and organized the Western Nebraska Publishers Association, with E. T. Westervelt of the Scotts Bluff County Semi-Weekly Republican as president, and Lloyd Thomas of the Alliance Herald as secretary.

It is the purpose of the association to extend their borders and include the publishers of the state—eleven counties. The new organization will in no way conflict with the state association of newspapers but will devote its attention to the interests of the western portion of the state, soon to be visited by the publishers from over the entire state in annual convention.

Saturday evening A. B. Wood, editor of the Gering Courier, who was the host to the visiting newspaper men, entertained them at a banquet at which A. N. Mathers, mayor of Gering and one of the leading business men in the North Platte valley, was present. Following the banquet the visitors were welcomed in warm terms by Mayor Mathers, who was roundly applauded for his remarks. Mr. Mathers touched on the facts that every country needs publicity, that the publishers are as a rule receiving less remuneration for their work than other lines of business, that the meeting of publishers must result in good which comes when all good men get together, and that Gering felt honored in having been the place of the first meeting of the association.

The next meeting of the association is to be held at Bridgeport June 17, with Bruce Wilcox of the News-Blade and C. D. Casper of the Bridgeport Herald as hosts.

Westervelt Invented the Scotts Bluff Republican has invented an invention that is far ahead of all inventions done for some time—the ringer, that will be in demand among newspapermen in particular, it is predicted. Full particulars of this new machine and the date it will be placed on the market will be announced after the meeting of the publishers association on June 17 at Bridgeport, when a small working model of the wringer will be placed on exhibition.

ORANGE BREAKS ARM

J. B. Orange, yardman employed by the Burlington railroad, while setting the brakes on a freight car Wednesday night in the local yards, fell from the top of the car to the ground, breaking his right arm just above the wrist. He was attended by Dr. C. E. Hershman, company physician. Mr. Orange will probably be laid up for a couple of months.

BASEBALL FOR ALLIANCE

Movement Started to Organize Baseball Club for Games to Be Played During Summer

A meeting is to be held at the Alliance Times office next Tuesday evening, May 23, for the purpose of organizing a baseball club for Alliance. It has been a number of years since there was a city ball club.

Among those who are interested and who will assist in the organization of the club are Secretary Guthrie of the Commercial Club, P. D. Gleason, Prof. Crawford, B. J. Sallows of the Times, and C. E. Ambsberry of The Herald, C. O. Pugh, W. O. Barnes, and Leonard Pilkington, chief of the fire department.

PIONEER CITIZEN DIES IN HOSPITAL

B. F. Gilman, Prominent Professional Man and Pioneer Citizen, to Be Buried at Former Home

DEATH, DUE TO LEAKAGE OF HEART, AT MAYO BROTHERS

Was First County Superintendent of Box Butte, Former County Attorney—Otherwise Prominent

B. F. Gilman, a prominent citizen and pioneer resident of Alliance, died Wednesday morning at the Mayo Brothers' Hospital at Rochester, Minn., where he was taken for treatment, on April 5. Mrs. Gilman accompanied him to the hospital and was with him during his last illness. Mr. Gilman had been in poor health for some time, and leakage of the heart is attributed as the cause of his death.

The children, a daughter, Miss Marjory Gilman, age twenty-one, and a son, Schuyler, age nineteen, accompanied by Mrs. C. E. Willis, a close friend of the family, left Wednesday noon for Rochester and from there will accompany Mrs. Gilman and the remains to Mondovi, Wis., the old family home, where the funeral and burial will take place.

Mr. Gilman was born near Burlington, Wis., April 24, 1855, and was sixty-one years and twenty-three days old at the time of his death. He secured his early education at Madison, Wis., where he graduated from the state university in 1878. After teaching school for three years he re-entered the university and graduated from the law department in 1883.

He came to Box Butte County in 1887 and edited the Box Butte County Republican till January, 1888, when he sold out and took up the practice of law.

He held various positions of public trust during his twenty-nine years residence here. He was the first county superintendent of schools of Box Butte county and was county attorney from 1893 to 1897. He was one of the first presidents of the Alliance Building and Loan Association and was secretary of that organization at the time of his death.

Besides the members of the family already mentioned, the deceased is survived by one sister, Dr. Helen Roberts, of Great Falls, Mont., who is quite well known here, and by two brothers, S. G. and C. W. Gilman of Mondovi, Wis., both of whom were at his bedside when death came.

DANDELIONS ARE GOING FAST

Alliance Boys and Girls Are Taking Much Interest in the Contest Started by The Herald

The dandelion killing contest, announced by The Herald last week, has attracted much attention and excited much interest among the boys and girls of Alliance. The first week of the contest will close at 6 o'clock Friday evening, May 19, and all the boys and girls who have dandelions and who have entered the contest should bring theirs to The Herald office before 6 o'clock.

As will be noticed by rule 9, given below, the prizes to be awarded Friday evening are a pair of school shoes by the George A. Mollring store to the girl winning, and a fine pocket knife by the Rhein-Rousey Company to the boy winning.

A. J. Macey will be the judge of the contest and he will be assisted Friday evening by two ladies representing the Woman's Club and by Secretary Guthrie of the Alliance Commercial Club. The dandelions will be weighed promptly at 6 o'clock and the certificates of prizes awarded at once. More than thirty boys and girls have already entered the contest and have been working early and late during the past week, in spite of the cold and rainy weather. It is expected that the number who will enter on the next week will be much larger. There are plenty of yards to work on in the city. Remember, boys and girls, that all who take part and make an effort will participate in the big ice cream supper at the close of the contest, no matter whether they win a prize or not.

The Prizes for Next Week's Contest The contest for next week begins Saturday morning, May 20, and closes at 6 o'clock Friday evening, May 26. All boys and girls already entered can go right ahead for the coming week without entering again. The prizes for this week will be given by the First State Bank and will be a brand new savings account, with two dollars deposited to the credit of the girl who wins, and two dollars deposited to the credit of the boy who wins. This is your chance, boys and girls, to start out a nice savings account of two dollars to your credit, donated by the First State Bank to each of those who win for the week. Two dollars is pretty good pay for a week's work outside of school hours. The bank wishes to encourage you in your work of killing dandelions and will help you start a savings account.

RULES OF THE CONTEST

- 1. Each boy and girl desiring to enter the contest must come to The Herald office and leave his or her name so that we will know who are after the prizes.
2. The contest for the coming week opens Saturday morning, May 20. The second week closes at 6 o'clock Friday evening, May 26. Each contest lasts one week and the contests will close when the dandelions are gone.
3. Boys and girls over sixteen years of age are not allowed to take part in the contests.
4. Dandelions will be judged by weight. Dirt, sticks, stones or other rubbish will not count and the dandelions must be free from these things.
5. When you leave your name at The Herald office, you will be given a list of the places on which you are to kill the dandelions. In turning in the dandelions you must tell us where you picked them. We do not want you to pick dandelions on yards where the people do not want the boys and girls to go and who are not sensible enough to realize that the dandelions are pests and should be killed.
6. You can join the contest at any time and for any week. But you should get in early while the dandelions are plentiful.
7. Dandelions must be brought to The Herald office in sacks, where they will be weighed by the judges. They must be in before 6 o'clock Friday evening in order to be counted.
8. The chief judge of the contest will be A. J. Macey of the Alliance post office. He may appoint other judges to help if he needs them.
9. The girl bringing in the most dandelions for this week will be given a savings account by the First State Bank with two dollars deposited to her credit, and another prize just like this one will go to the boy bringing in the most.
10. New prizes will be given each week by Alliance merchants as long as the contest lasts, so that if you don't win out the first week you may win the next, or the next.
11. At the close of the contests every boy and girl who takes part and who

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BUSY SESSION OF CLUB DIRECTORS

Alliance to Be Represented at State Convention of Commercial Clubs at Omaha May 24 and 25

VOTE TO EXTEND FINANCIAL AID TO THE ALLIANCE BAND

Will Issue Pamphlet Showing Roads Leading into City—Will Try for 1917 Funeral Convention

One of the busiest sessions of the Commercial Club directors ever held was the three-hour meeting held the first of the week. Much miscellaneous business was taken up and disposed of.

The club work has been progressing nicely under the secretaryship of J. W. Guthrie and he reports the budget for the new year already past the \$1200 mark as compared with the total budget of \$4600 raised last year.

The directors decided to send a representative to the state convention of commercial clubs to be held at Omaha, May 24 and 25, the representative to be Secretary Guthrie, if he can spare the time to attend.

A number of applications had been received for the position of secretary and Mr. Guthrie was instructed to notify all applicants that no change will be made until after July 1st.

The club and George D. Darling will co-operate in an effort to secure for Alliance the 1917 convention of the Nebraska Association of Funeral Directors, who will hold their 1916 convention at Hastings, June 6, 7 and 8.

The club is planning to issue a pamphlet containing a map of the various roads leading into Alliance from all directions.

Rev. H. J. Young, business manager of the band, appeared before the directors and asked for assistance in purchasing new instruments, new uniforms and other equipment. The directors voted that the secretary take up the matter of the purchase of a new double bass with Mr. Young and that the club pay for this instrument. They also agreed to go before the council with Mr. Young and ask that the present allowance of \$25 per month be raised to \$50 and that \$300 of the money be put at the immediate disposal of the boys to enable them to make proper preparations for the series of weekly concerts to be given at the park from the last week of May to the first week of September.

ACQUITTED OF CHARGE OF STEALING CATTLE

Eli Holt Found Not Guilty by Jury in District Court Wednesday at Bridgeport

Eli Holt, the Alliance man who was arrested the latter part of January on complaint of Joe Smith of Bayard charging him with stealing cattle, was acquitted Wednesday by a jury in district court at Bridgeport before Judge Hobert.

The cattle in question were recovered by replevin suit in the Box Butte county court after they had been sold at a public sale at Hemingford and a number of witnesses were called to the trial from Alliance, among them being Sheriff Cal Cox, Postmaster Robert Graham, who is president of the Nebraska Stock-growers Association, Deputy Sheriff J. W. Miller, Dr. Curtis and C. E. Morgan.

County Attorney McDonald of Morrill county was assisted in the prosecution by Wm. Mitchell, and Attorneys Wright of Scottsbluff and Wm. Ritchie, of Bridgeport, represented the defendant.

The defense brought in evidence showing that Holt had traded a cow to a mover for the two steers which he was charged with stealing.

The jury was composed of the following: J. E. Leemaster, Robt. Grege, Pat Maloney, H. C. Long, Clyde Reitnour, A. R. Kugler, W. S. Bassett, Neil Anderson, F. E. Grossard, H. C. Burke, A. Reitnour, and John Wheeler.

KIBBLE SOLD FARM

Colorado Man Purchases 564-Acre Farm near Town at Price of \$40 per Acre

M. D. Healy of Denver, through the local agency of E. T. Kibble & Company, on Wednesday purchased the 564 acre farm east of Alliance known as the Reed place, the consideration being \$40 per acre. This is one of the largest real estate deals consummated in Box Butte county for some time.

Mr. Healy purchased the farm from D. R. Eicher of Milford, who has owned it for several years. Mr. Healy's intention is to make an immense alfalfa farm out of the place. In Colorado two years ago on a farm owned there by him, he planted 100 acres in alfalfa and the second year sold \$6,000 worth of seed to the government. He is an alfalfa expert and will be a valuable addition to the county. He will make his home on the farm.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS

WHEREAS the business men, the professional men, the Alliance Commercial Club, the city officials and the citizens of Alliance so cheerfully assisted us in making the recent state convention of the Travelers Protective Association a success in every way, be it

RESOLVED that we, the members of Post M. T. P. A., extend our sincere and hearty thanks to them for their assistance and that this expression of our appreciation be published in the newspapers.

S. W. Thompson, J. H. Hawes, Lloyd Thomas, COMMITTEE.

CANFIELD NOW A V. D.

C. U. Canfield, insurance man, is now adding the title V. D. to his name, or at least his friends have added the title for him. The V. D. stands for the new Van Dyke which graces his chin and which was seen by his friends in Alliance for the first time when he visited the city this morning.

Afro-American News for May

The second number of the Afro-American News, published by J. O. Minor, comes out the first of this week in enlarged form with plenty of news about colored people. Mr. Minor is making good progress with his new newspaper and has met with much encouragement.

Prof. Crome, president of Hastings college, will give the annual address to the graduating class of Alliance high school. Prof. Crome is a strong factor in this Presbyterian college, and his appearance here promises a rare treat.

DECORATION DAY

Afternoon Program at Cemetery Under the Auspices of Veterans of Civil and Spanish Wars

Plans are under way for a fitting celebration of Decoration Day, Tuesday, May 23, to be held at the Greenwood cemetery, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The affair will be managed under the auspices of the Spanish War veterans and Civil War veterans, and the program will include music by the Alliance Band and the Men's Glee Club, and addresses by local prominent citizens.

Those wishing to attend are requested to meet that afternoon at the corner of Box Butte and Third streets, where automobiles may be fixed for the trip to the cemetery, at fifty cents for the round trip.

MAY FESTIVAL COMING SOON

Chorus of Song by Men and Women's Voices—Also Young Girls to Entertain at This Time

WILL BE GREETED BY LARGE ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE

The Musical Festival Long Looked Forward to by Music Loving People of Alliance

An entertainment which has been much anticipated by the music-loving and appreciative people of Alliance will at last be given, near the close of this month, which date has been set for the 23rd. The Presbyterian church has been secured for the May Festival which will be presented thru the untiring efforts of interested persons, and we trust and know that the people of Alliance will be glad to attend such a program of song, and give their hearty support to the promoters. The Men's Glee Club will have an important part in the festival, and the Women's Choral Club will render some pleasing selections. There will be interspersed thru the program, fancy drills, and songs by physical culture classes.

The idea of a May Festival should be welcomed on all sides and we feel that this is only a beginning of what can be done in this line in the future, and we hope to see each year this kind of entertainment growing in popularity, and to which no one can foretell the bounds to which earnest endeavor may rise.

MAY BUILD NEW LINE

Burlington Surveyors Laying New Lines Westward from Angora up North Platte Valley

A Burlington surveying party of eight, occupying three cars, arrived at Angora Tuesday of last week and shortly afterwards began surveying lines westward from that town.

The surveyors are working on three different lines. While local officials are in ignorance of the purpose of the party it is believed that the railroad is investigating the proposition of running a new line of railroad from Angora to Guernsey, Wyo., thereby saving the long haul via Northport.

The new line of railroad would eliminate the long climb over the heavy grade from Northport to Angora and would save a number of miles on the Alliance to Casper line of road, on which through trains will start June 4, as previously announced.

Dark Day Saved His Life

A case of plain, outright murder was avoided by the margin of a hair last Sunday morning when two Alliance newspapermen, after searching Gering and Scottsbluff for a place to lay their weary brain containers—sometimes called "cocks" and "nuts"—for a little rest, finally found up in Minnesota and piled in together at 3 o'clock. After the gang had had and bagged their couple of times and they were just beginning to dream of a land where newspapers are issued only bi-annually, they were a little brought back to earth by a round shot from the elements of a huge rip-staw, a Missouri mule, a North Platte river steambot, a cyclone, and a rainy subscriber, all in one. Grasping each other in terror they listened for its echo, which proved it to be only a weary traveling man snoring in the next room. As the eruptions of sound continued throughout the balance of the night they planned to shoot the disturber of their slumbers at sunrise—his life was only saved by the fact that the cloudy weather prevented them seeing the sunrise and that they had to run to catch the morning train.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to the Lady Macabees, W. C. T. U. and the Christian Science society, and the many friends who so kindly assisted us at the burial of our dear wife and mother.

Mr. Lockwood, Frances and Guy.

Communion Services

There will be communion services at the Methodist church Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock, conducted by the pastor.

WEATHER REPORT

By Gov't Observer Hicks

The official government weather record of temperature and rain for the past seven days as kept by F. W. Hicks shows a variation in temperature of 47 degrees during the week, the maximum for the week being 74, and the minimum, 27, with almost one inch of precipitation. The lowest and highest temperature was on the same day, May 11. The figures are as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Day, Max, Min, Precipn. Rows for May 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.